

SON OF INDIAN RAJAH

WORLD'S RICHEST PRINCE A STUDENT AT HARVARD.

Jaisingrao Gaikwar, Who Will Some Day Rule 3,000,000 People of Baroda, Preparing Himself for Future Position.

Boston.—The future ruler of 3,000,000 subjects and the heir of riches that make the famed wealth of Midas pale into insignificance, Prince Jaisingrao Gaikwar, the son of an Indian rajah, is now preparing himself at Harvard for his future position.

When the Gaikwar of Baroda, second in importance among the rajahs, visited America two years ago, he was so pleased with the methods of teaching at Harvard that his last word to President Eliot was that his sons would be sent to finish their education at Cambridge.

Accordingly, Jaisingrao Gaikwar, 19 years old, elder son of the rajah, is



Jaisingrao Gaikwar, Heir to Indian Province.

now installed in a sumptuous suite of rooms in upper Westmorley court, one of the most exclusive "outside" dormitories.

The heir to an annual income of \$12,000,000. Prince Gaikwar, as he is known, asserts his democracy by a comparatively modest college existence, and an attitude of good fellowship which has already made him popular among Harvard men.

Among the many heirs to vast fortunes who have attended Harvard, the future rajah of Gaikwar can probably boast of the most fabulously wealthy father.

To-day the maharajah's public revenues reach a total of \$6,000,000 a year, while his private resources are said to bring him as much more.

The education of the young ruler to American ways is but a step in the revolution of the Baroda state.

Born of a race which once delighted in most inhuman cruelty, the Gaikwar of Baroda now seeks to give his people the best that modern civilization of the west has to offer. He comes from fighting ancestry, being a descendant of that great Mahratta soldier, Damaji Gaikwar. His title, Shamsheer Bahadur, was won by that warrior at the battle of Bellapore, at the end of the seventeenth century, when the imperial army of Delhi was defeated. The title was conferred by the shahu raja of Satara in admiration of his bravery.

He declares that American prosperity is the result of one of the most equitable forms of government in the world, and he hints that the future progress of Baroda will owe much to the example which is held up by this country.

College he likes. He says that he enjoys it as much as anyone else, and from the large number of friends that he has already acquired it is safe to say that the prince is liked by the college.

In personal appearance Prince Gaikwar is olive-complexioned, with oval face, plump cheeks, lips a little thicker than those of the average American, and with luminous, dark eyes. He is slightly undersized in height, but usually carries himself erect and square-shouldered.

Prince Jaisingrao's studies at Harvard have been selected with a view to the responsibilities which will fall to him when he returns to the far east. As the elder son he is fitting himself to carry on the work of ruling the destinies of the 3,000,000 subjects over whom his father is now absolute ruler.

In the '70's Mulhar Rao, Gaikwar, spent enormous sums of money upon contests of athletes and animals. He was passionately fond of cruel sports in which the lives of men were endangered, and personally superintended the arrangements that concerned them. Elephant fights and rhinoceros fights were of almost daily occurrence. He kept in his courts many perfect athletes, celebrated throughout the whole of India, and wrestlers who came from the Punjab and Travancore.

RACE HORSES TO A CHURCHMAN.

The Queer Legacy Left to a Paris Archbishop.

Paris.—In all ages devout Catholics have bequeathed legacies of differing size and description to popes, cardinals and archbishops, but it is safe to say that no prelate ever was more thoroughly astounded than the archbishop of Paris when he awoke some time ago to find himself the possessor of a celebrated racing stable.

"I beg pardon for intruding," Monsig. Amette's secretary came into the archbishop's study with an air of much perturbation one morning, "but a woman, the Viscountess de Raineville, has just died and left her fortune of several millions, including a racing stable, to your excellency."

When Monsigneur Amette understood that the legacy was left to him personally and not to the church, he refused to accept it. But just after his secretary had left the archbishopric to communicate Monsigneur Amette's decision to the executors of the will, word came that the court had ratified the bequest, so there was nothing to do but to accept the legacy, including the embarrassing item of the race horses.

The archbishop immediately gave orders for the sale of the stud, also of the viscountess' properties, comprising much real estate, a breeding farm and a historic chateau at Allenville in Normandy. The legacy, converted into cash, will be used for various charitable organizations.

If the august and unwilling owner of race track favorites fancied that he could wash his hands of proprietary duties so easily, he soon discovered his mistake. His man of affairs soon came to him with a complication. The horses were to be put at auction at a big establishment in the Rue de Pontillon. But some critics had pointed out to this man of affairs that the auctioneer was a Jew. Was this a serious enough consideration to warrant the intervention of the archbishop? It evidently was, for a few days later the honor of auctioneering the horses was awarded to a rival establishment, where the sale is to take place shortly.

During the last years of her life the viscountess, a woman in her seventies, very naturally had not taken as much interest in the horses as her husband had done. He was a staunch royalist deputy and his wife apparently was a strong sympathizer with his anti-republican ideas, for she delighted in giving names which were caricatures of prominent governmental personalities to her horses. Clemenceau was transformed into Clemenceauette and Caillaux became Caillalette.

Because of the viscountess' lack of interest in race track triumphs or defeats, very few of the horses which will be auctioneered are particularly celebrated, although former victories of the De Raineville stable still are remembered in sporting circles.

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